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Overview

August of 2007 was the second month of statistics for the reorganized Central Command.

During August, the Central Command had a 22.7% decrease in the number of crashes investigated, as there were 20 less accidents than in July. Property crashes declined by 7.7% while injury crashes decreased by 40%. There were 2 fatal crashes in August, which was down from 6 in July. Of the 2 people killed, only 1 was wearing a seat belt.

There were 6 crashes which involved impaired drivers. This number is up 20% from June, or 1 driver. There were however, 22 DUI arrests prior to crashes, an increase of 22.2% from July. It is noteworthy that the average BAC for impaired drivers arrested before a crash was 0.128%. However, the average BAC for drivers arrested after a crash was 0.215%. Emphasis must still be placed on the apprehension of the impaired driver before an accident occurs.

There was an increase in commercial crashes overall, up 7 from July. There were no fatal commercial accidents. The total number of commercial crashes was 26.5% of the total crashes within the Central Command. Of the 18 commercial crashes, the commercial driver was at fault in 11 of the crashes. 14 of the total 18 commercial crashes occurred on the Interstate 80 corridor.

Commercial personnel performed 510 inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. The number of inspections were up 32.6% from July. However, there were 771 violations discovered with 95 safety citations issued. This was an increase of 25% over the total in June.

Traffic personnel conducted 253 Level Two and Three Inspections on commercial vehicles and their drivers. This is a 57.1% increase from July. Consequently, traffic personnel issued 127 safety violation citations, 252 repair orders, with 19 drivers and 6 vehicles placed out of service.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	Aug. 07		Aug. 06		July 07	
Total Crashes	68		109	-37.6%	88	-22.7%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	48		76	-36.8%	52	-7.7%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	18		29	-37.9%	30	-40.0%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2		4	-50.0%	6	-66.7%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	6		4	50.0%	5	20.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	2		7	-71.4%	7	-71.4%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%	3	-300.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		5	-80.0%	2	-50.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1		1	0.0%	2	-50.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	18		25	-28.0%	11	63.6%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	13		18	-27.8%	8	62.5%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	5		7	-28.6%	2	150.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%	1	-100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 2.9%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 8.8%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 50%

Seat belts applicable

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 26.5%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- The total number of crashes in August decreased substantially from 88 accidents in July to 68. Property damage accidents decreased by 7.7%. Injury accidents declined 40%.
- There were a total of 2 fatal accidents as compared to 6 in July. Of the 2 fatalities, 1 was not wearing a seatbelts.
- There were 6 accidents involving an impaired driver, a 20% increase from July. The average BAC was .215.
- There were a total of 18 commercial vehicle accidents, an increase of 7 from the month of July. The commercial driver was at fault in 11 of the accidents. 14 of the total 18 accidents occurred on the Interstate 80 corridor. There were no fatal commercial vehicle accidents.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	Aug. 07		Aug. 06		July 07	
DUI arrests from crashes ##	6		4	50.0%	5	20.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	22		26	-15.4%	18	22.2%
Other Arrests	97		162	-40.1%	104	-6.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	59		87	-32.2%	56	5.4%
Speed violations	1747		2849	-38.7%	1725	1.3%
Hazardous moving violations	168		257	-34.6%	139	20.9%
Occupant restraint violations *	151		317	-52.4%	173	-12.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	2973		5164	-42.4%	2818	5.5%
Commercial Enforcement						
Hazardous moving violatons - citations/arrests	19		34	-44.1%	31	-38.7%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	6		12	-50.0%	5	20.0%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	510		664	-24.7%	377	32.6%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	95		132	-28.0%	76	25.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	749		1019	-26.5%	494	51.6%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	39		50	-22.0%	19	105.3%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	12		18	-33.3%	11	9.1%
Total school buses inspected	101		0	10100.0%	17	494.1%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	24		0	2400.0%	0	2400.0%
Total trucks weighed	210		681	-69.2%	436	-51.8%
Total overweight citations	12		14	-14.3%	9	33.3%
Total dyed fuel inspections	466		623	-25.2%	374	24.6%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Overall enforcement activity remained consistent with last month at 2973 total violations. Speed and hazardous moving violations increased, while a 12.7% decline was noted in occupant restraint violations.
- Impaired driver arrests before accidents increased 22%. The average BAC was .128.
- The total number of safety inspections conducted by commercial operations increased 32.6 % from the prior month. A total of 510 inspections were completed leading to 771 violations. 95 safety citations were issued.
- 12 overweight citations were issued during the weighing of 210 total trucks. There were 138 vehicles weighed on secondary roadways during 229 hours of directed enforcement.
- 382 dyed fuel inspections were completed and no citations were issued. There were 87 dyed fuel inspections on secondary roadways during 100 hours of directed enforcement.
- Traffic operations personnel conducted 253 Level 2 & 3 inspections discovering 252 violations that led to 127 issued safety citations.
- 19 drivers and 6 vehicles were placed out of service by traffic operations personnel.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
August-07	253	127	252	19	6	187	28
August-06	633	231	690	74	497	0	0
% Change	-60.0%	-45.0%	-63.5%	-74.3%		#DIV/0!	0.0%

August-07	253	127	252	19	6	187	28
July-07	161	69	155	11	8	143	0
% Change	57.1%	84.1%	62.6%	72.7%	-25.0%	30.8%	0.0%

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

- The Central Command aircraft flew 42 hours during the month of August. Of the total, 19 hours, or 44 % of the total flight time was spent on airborne speed enforcement activities. 2 personnel transports and 1 training flight accounted for 7 hours, or 18% of the flight time. 4 line patrol missions and 1 maintenance flight accounted for the remaining 16 hours or 38% of the flight time.
- The aircraft was down for maintenance for 1 day during August.
- 9 speed enforcement missions were flown resulting in 96 enforcement actions taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	August-07	August -06	% Change	July-07	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions	64,951	93,414	-30.5%	63,248	2.7%
CAD incidents	10,484	12,723	-17.6%	10,080	4.0%
Telephone Calls	10,407	13,076	-20.4%	12,056	-13.7%
Call Box Incidents	23	52	-55.8%	31	-25.8%
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	77	105	-26.7%	81	-4.9%
Arrest Reports Processed	33	72	-54.2%	66	-50.0%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	12	24	-50.0%	7	71.4%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	201	338	-40.5%	159	26.4%
Warrants Entered	192	302	-36.4%	228	-15.8%
Warrants Cleared	159	511	-68.9%	231	-31.2%
Warrants Validated	1266	1873	-32.4%	1743	-27.4%
Extradition / Transports	6	7	-14.3%	4	50.0%
EVIDENCE					
New Cases Submitted	20	35	-42.9%	21	-4.8%
New Items Submitted	50	151	-66.9%	144	-65.3%
Items Disposed	157	167	-6.0%	417	-62.4%

Contract Service overtime was 292.6 hours for 7 contracts totaling \$19,839.00

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- Radio transmissions increased 2.7%. CAD incidents remained constant as telephone calls decreased by 13.7%. The call boxes are up and running again and accounted for 23 calls.
- The front office processed 4.9% less accident reports than last month and processed 50% less arrest reports.
- The court/warrants office received a 26.4% increase in warrants received. Warrants entered, cleared and validated all showed significant decreases.
- The evidence vault received 1 less case than in July, resulting in a 65.3% decrease in items booked from July. Items disposed also showed a significant decrease of 62.4% from the prior month.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- Division personnel participated in the “National Night Out” on August 7th. The rollover simulator was one of the main events at the show.
- Operation Brake Check started August 28th and ended on the 30th. Local media attended the event and conducted several public broadcasts about the event.
- Division personnel attended the annual Elko Fair Parade on August 31st.

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